

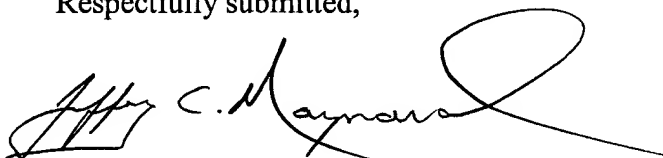
CONCLUSION

Applicant has made a diligent effort to address the objections identified by the Examiner and believe all claims remaining in the application are allowable. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowability is respectfully requested. However, if the Examiner is of the opinion that the present application is not in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below so that additional changes may be discussed.

Respectfully submitted,

10/15/04

Date

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey C. Maynard", with a large, stylized loop at the end.

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